

MEMORANDUM REPORT

BUREAU OF NARCOTICS

DISTRICT NO. 2

GEN. FILE TITLE:

CASE FILE NO.: NY:S 12110

REPORT MADE

AT: New York, New York
DATE: August 14, 1968BY: Anthony S. Pohl
Narcotic Agent

RELATED FILES

GF: Joseph LUCCAROTTI

OTHER OFFICERS

Albert W. Seeley
Customs AgentSUBJECT OF THIS MEMORANDUM Interview of Jean NEBBIA
conducted on August 7, 1968, at the Federal Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia.

RECOMMENDATION

PENDING:

CLOSE:

FURTHER INVESTIGATION: XXX

DETAILS (If report is over two pages in length summarize in first paragraph)

S U M M A R Y

This report pertains to the interview of Jean NEBBIA conducted on August 7, 1968, at the Federal Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia. In the course of this interview Jean NEBBIA confirmed the information he had given previously on Joseph LUCCAROTTI and Raphael SANTANA, who have allegedly organized a heroin smuggling operation while in the penitentiary. NEBBIA admitted having utilized Jean BOUSQUET and Victor MERZ as couriers for the smuggling of heroin between the years 1960 and 1964, and also gave information on the activity of August Joseph RICORD.

1. Reference is made to a memorandum report dated July 5, 1968, from Narcotic Agent Leardis G. Rice, District #6, GFT: Joseph LUCCAROTTI. In this report, it is stated that Jean NEBBIA had requested an interview with Agents from District #6 and had made certain revelations on an alleged heroin smuggling operation by Joseph LUCCAROTTI and Raphael SANTANA. Further reference is made to a memorandum report dated August 1, 1968, by Narcotic Agent Stephen F. Giorgio, case file number NY:S 12538, pertaining to a meeting between NEBBIA and Jean BOUSQUET in the spring of 1964.
2. Upon request from AUSA William Tendy, Southern District of New York, and assisted by Customs Agent Albert W. Seeley, I interviewed on August 7, 1968, Jean NEBBIA, who is presently serving a 20-year prison sentence imposed as a consequence of case number NY:S 12110, which resulted in the seizure of 95 kilograms of heroin.
3. When questioned about the information he had given to Agents from District #6, NEBBIA stated that, Raphael SANTANA, an inmate serving 15 years in the Federal Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia, for narcotic violation, had confided in him and had told him the following: SANTANA has a friend, who is interested in purchasing large quantities of heroin (10 to 20 kilograms). SANTANA mentioned this to Joseph LUCCAROTTI,

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who is serving a five-year prison term for his part in NY:S 12110. LUCCAROTTI allegedly told SANTANA to have that friend visit his common-law wife, Marie BAVA, at an unknown address in France.

4. BAVA then was to introduce SANTANA's friend to one Juan MUÑOZ, who would take care of delivery. SANTANA's friend is described only as a Puerto Rican, about 40 years old, owner and operator of a DIET FOOD STORE in Brooklyn or more probably in the Bronx, New York. MUÑOZ was described by NEBBIA as the individual who had accompanied Ange LUCCAROTTI to the United States at the time the latter was arrested by Customs. The heroin was to be smuggled to the United States by this Puerto Rican, utilizing a Volkswagen car purchased in Dusseldorf, Germany.

5. This plan was formulated about two months ago, and according to information given to NEBBIA by SANTANA about two weeks ago, the smuggling operation has been completed. However, the heroin delivered was not of excellent quality, and the customer is now complaining. NEBBIA had no other information on the subject, but stated that he would report any additional information of importance which he could obtain.

6. I then questioned NEBBIA on the smuggling operation in which he had been involved. He stated that inasmuch as his case is still pending appeal in the Supreme Court, he did not want to discuss his own case. In order to verify the information noted in the referenced memorandum report by Agent Giorgio, I showed NEBBIA a photograph of Jean BOUSQUET. NEBBIA identified him immediately, admitting that he had used BOUSQUET to smuggle heroin into the United States. I casually mentioned that Victor MERZ had reportedly been arrested with BOUSQUET. NEBBIA became visibly upset and asked for additional details.

7. I declined to give any more information on the subject, but NEBBIA insisted that he had to know. I asked him to explain his concern, he said "MERZ worked with me and BOUSQUET on this operation. After I had been arrested I had a message passed on to MERZ to stay out of the traffic. He gave me his word, I cannot believe that he broke his word."

8. NEBBIA then refused to continue the discussion on that subject. But, after a time, he stated in answer to a question, that he had started to work for the ORSINI organization in about 1960, and that he was utilizing as couriers businessmen in financial difficulties but without criminal record. He stressed that he had operated only with the ORSINI organization, and had never been associated with any other organization.

9. NEBBIA was queried about the 112 kilograms seized and the related arrest of BOUSQUET. According to NEBBIA, BOUSQUET has been working

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since 1964 for a group of heroin traffickers located in Nice, France. This group includes Jerome PAOLI, Albert CIAUME and Joseph PATRIZZI. NEEBIA stressed that "I wasn't there when they loaded the merchandise, but I am positive that this is true." He also stressed that he had seen DOUSQUET with PAOLI on several occasions in Paris, which led him to believe that the rumors he had heard were true.

10. NEEBIA was also questioned on the narcotic operation in South America. He stated that the operation in Argentina is controlled by August Joseph RICORD, an ex-member of the French underworld in Paris, France. RICORD utilizes the services of his nephew Louis BONSIGNOUR & Philippe SPADARO, to negotiate with the French heroin suppliers, whom NEEBIA identified as the CRSINI.

11. NEEBIA stated that to his knowledge and based on his experience, the entire narcotic traffic in the United States is controlled by the Mafia. He included in this statement the traffic conducted by South American Nationals who "could not operate if they did not pay off the Mafia."

12. The interview was discontinued by NEEBIA who again did not want to "compromise himself" in view of his pending appeal. He stated, however, that he would request another interview if he received additional information. NEEBIA also strongly indicated that he would want to cooperate with the United States Government if his appeal is denied.

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